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Senate Resolution 681

By: Senators Seay of the 34th, Starr of the 44th, Fort of the 39th, Reed of the 35th and Tate of the 38th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending the Arnold-Fountain Professional Club; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the Arnold-Fountain Professional Club was organized on January 5, 1979, by
- 3 teachers from two predominantly black Clayton County schools, J. W. Arnold Elementary
- 4 School in Jonesboro and W. A. Fountain High School in Forest Park, whose faculties had
- 5 developed a fraternal relationship prior to integration and desired to continue their close ties
- 6 after the school system was integrated; and
- 7 WHEREAS, today the club is comprised of educational professionals, either who formerly
- 8 taught at Arnold and Fountain schools or who are presently working in the Clayton County
- 9 School System, and friends and associates with a genuine interest in education, continuous
- 10 fellowship, friendship, and social interaction who are concerned about the education of
- 11 students in Clayton County and beyond; and
- WHEREAS, the Arnold-Fountain Professional Club's stated mission is to maintain contact
- among former educators from Arnold and Fountain schools and other interested persons in
- 14 preserving the history of education in Clayton County; to promote personal and professional
- 15 growth; and to provide opportunities for service and assistance to youth through mentoring,
- 16 role modeling, scholarships, and other acts of kindness; and
- 17 WHEREAS, members live out their club's purpose of serving the community by participating
- 18 in several projects throughout the year, including providing donations and other services to
- 19 Our Lady of Perpetual Help Home in Atlanta, the United Negro College Fund, and the
- 20 Alfretta Allen Harper Scholarship Fund; mentoring; tutoring; and other volunteer work for
- 21 Clayton County Public Schools; and

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1 WHEREAS, through its laudable outreach to the community and its commitment to bettering

- 2 public education, the Arnold-Fountain Professional Club is an excellent example to all
- 3 citizens striving to improve the world around them.
- 4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 5 join in commending the Arnold-Fountain Professional Club for all of its fine work within the
- 6 field of education and thank its members for their inspirational generosity.
- 7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 8 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Eddie J. White, president of the
- 9 Arnold-Fountain Professional Club.